

Docket No. 2001-152

April 3, 2001

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
Request for Approval of First Amendment
To Special Rate Contract with J.A. Thurston

ORDER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

SUMMARY OF DECISION

By this Order, we grant final approval of a First Amendment to a Customer Service Agreement (CSA) between Central Maine Power Company (CMP) and J.A. Thurston.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

On February 28, 2001 CMP filed with this Commission a proposed First Amendment to its CSA with J.A. Thurston. On March 30, 2001, this Amendment went into effect automatically pursuant to Attachment 6 approved by Commission Order dated November 16, 2000 in Docket No. 99-666. However, by going into effect automatically, the reasonableness of the Amendment was not evaluated. On March 14, 2001, CMP provided additional information to support a finding of reasonableness.

We have since conducted a review of the Amendment terms as well as the additional material filed by CMP regarding the cost of J.A. Thurston's alternative to taking service from CMP and its cost for generation supply. Based on our review, we have determined that this Amendment is reasonable. Therefore, we grant final approval of this Amendment pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 703(3-A).

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 3rd day of April, 2001.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
Nugent
Diamond

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2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73, et seq.
3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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